

## House Resolution No. 3516

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Saponi Indian people, descendants of the Saponi Nation of the Virginia/North Carolina Piedmont; and

**Whereas**, the Saponi settled in the State of Missouri rather than in Indian Territory; and

**Whereas**, the Saponi citizens of Missouri have represented the Show-Me State in the United States Armed Forces during several wars; and

**Whereas**, the Saponi are very much a part of Missouri's history and future; and

**Whereas**, the Saponi have continued a form of tribal government for the past 170 years; and

**Whereas**, it is entirely fitting that this legislative body should pay tribute to the Saponi Indian people:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the Saponi Nation of Missouri, Mahenips Band at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Saponi Nation of Missouri, Mahenips Band.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Chuck Purgason  
District No. 151

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3516, adopted June 30, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker